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By COMMENTATOR

FOUR months ago the first statements on bacteriological warfare in Korea were published in the Communist press. It was one of the most spectacular experiments in the history of propaganda and political warfare. The drive was viewed by a large number of observers in the Western world with much concern: they thought it a most vicious form of atrocity propaganda, against which little, if anything, could be done, and which might become a dangerous weapon in the hands of the East. It might be too early yet to draw final conclusions, but it appears that the latest Eastern campaign has been a notable failure. If it has been a weapon at all, it has boomeranged.

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THE easiest test for success or failure of such propaganda drives is usually the reaction of the "neutralists" in Western Europe: If such newspapers as "Le Monde" or periodicals like "L'Observateur" or "New Statesman"* react favourably, it must be considered, in most cases, a success. These are the mouthpieces of relatively small groups of intellectuals, to be sure, but they reflect, though frequently unconsciously, neutralist public opinion, or that part of the public on which Communist propaganda can hope to make some impression. This time the reaction has been very bad indeed: Insofar as there has been any comment at all it was derisive, ironical or worse. It can be argued, of course, that the bacteriological stunt was not destined for intellectuals in Western Europe but mainly for the less sophisticated public in backward countries. But there too it registered a significant failure, because this is not the type of propaganda to make a great stir in Saudia, Siam, or similar countries. The Communist leaders faced their task bravely, they did their very best to step up the hate campaign, but they did it unconvincingly, and it soon became obvious to the public (which has a much better perception in such cases than many propagandists believe) that they themselves did not believe what they were told to preach. Communist leaders have a large measure of experience in stating beliefs which are not their own, ever since the Moscow trials in the late thirties, but they too, like other human beings, are much more at ease if the party line happens to coincide with their own convictions.

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DR. Hewlett Johnson, the Dean of Canterbury, has brought matters to a head in England, and this affair aroused much interest abroad too. It might be taken for granted that he really believes what he was told and it is perhaps typical of the whole affair that a churchman should become the centre of the controversy: only a fundamentalist, an uncritical believer, could discharge this task. Fortunately, the number of uncritical believers is smaller nowadays than in the Middle Ages, and Dr. Johnson has become a laughing stock in a country whose attitude towards eccentrics and cranks is more liberal than elsewhere. Kingsley Martin wrote the other day that the Dean has done a great disservice to peace, because all those who refuse to believe his bacteriological stories will likewise refuse to believe in future news about China's more constructive achievements. This is undoubtedly true, but others could argue that the Dean has done a public service by immunizing potential believers against similar atrocity propaganda in the future. Communist leaders are not easily disheartened: they will not accept the failure of the bacteriological campaign, but will continue their old propaganda for some time. They might even intensify it temporarily, thus playing objectively into the hands of the West. In the long run, however, they will undoubtedly return to the old "peace" campaign, undiluted by microbes, which, though a fake, is at least a more successful one.

* The "New Statesman's" comment included:

The Chinese know they cannot show
What never was there to be seen.
It may be said that the Dean is red
But what makes the Red Dean green?

Sagittarius

Jerusalem, August 2

State Takes Over H.M.O. Preventive Health Services

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Speaking at the opening of the six-day national convention of the Israel Dental Association here yesterday, the Minister of Health, Dr. Yosef Burg, announced that he had signed an agreement transferring the services of preventive medicine from the Hadassah Medical Organisation to the State.

Replying to complaints by the chairman of the Association, Dr. Y. Yarden, that the State permitted unqualified persons to practice dentistry here, Dr. Burg said that he sympathized with this case, but that it was a delicate problem, since immigrant dentists might have lost their diplomas in transit.

Dr. Burg declared that the Government was willing to help the Association with the building of its Dental School in Jerusalem, and Dr. M. Massianky, a visiting American dentist, announced the establishment of a fund-raising campaign for the school which is sponsored by "Alpha Omega", the Jewish Dental Fraternity.

Dr. Yarden, in his opening address, said that the Association demanded from the Government the inclusion of dentists in the Medical Council and in the Nutrition Committee.

Greetings to the Congress were delivered, among others, by Aluf Moshe Avraham [illegible], Commander of the Army Medical Corps, and by Dr. Moshe Cohen, Deputy Mayor of Tel Aviv.

New Approach Needed For U.S. Immigrants

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Speaking on "Israel and American Jewry" at a Mapai-sponsored public meeting, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, said here today that the problem of immigration of American Jews to Israel, as of Jews from Western countries generally, could henceforth not be excluded from the State's purview. American Jews need come for no negative reasons, Mr. Sharett stressed, for they live in a country where complete freedom and a high degree of prosperity prevail; if they come, they will do so in order to share in the great creative work being done here.

The problem of Soviet Jewry, who live in spiritual bondage, is a most difficult one and far from solution, he added.

Settlement here of Western Jews will necessitate an individual approach to the new immigrant unlike the former "bulk approach" to immigration. Each American must feel welcome here; special attention must be paid to the problem of housing.

One could sum up recent Jewish history, Mr. Sharett pointed out, by saying that "one disaster and two miracles have occurred." The disaster was the destruction of European Jewry, and the two miracles were, the position of strength achieved by Jews in Palestine which enabled them to proclaim their independence and to fight to defend it, and the existence of a free and prosperous American Jewry ready to shoulder far-reaching responsibilities in helping Jews in other lands.

ARABS INJURED BY MARAUDERS

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — Two Arab boys, aged 12 and 15, were severely injured in the Beersheba area yesterday evening in a clash with a group of five Arab marauders from Egypt.

The boys were tending a herd of camels when one of them escaped. While following the animal, they met with the marauders who shot at them.

The boys were found lying in pools of blood this morning and were brought to the local Hadassah Hospital, where they told the police that the Arabs who shot at them were formerly of the Wad Abu Muamat tribe, to which they also belonged. They claimed that they were shot because of a long-standing blood feud.

Hot Pursuit Nets Three Marauders

NAZARETH, Saturday. — Hotly pursuing a group of marauders who robbed Mahmud Suidan of two horses and a shotgun in a settlement in lower Galilee yesterday, police caught three armed men this morning. They were overpowered and the loot retrieved.

The search for the marauders has been going on ever since they robbed three men near Kfar Tabor several months ago. The marauders, who fled the country during the War of Independence, have returned several times to commit robberies.

4 INFILTRATORS HURT, 22 ARRESTED IN WEEK

Four infiltrators were wounded and 22 were arrested by the Army and the Police from July [illegible] [illegible]

US Overtakes USSR To Lead Olympiad

HELSINKI, Saturday. — The U.S. today overtook the Soviet Union to lead in the unofficial national tabulations of the Olympic Games, which conclude tomorrow.

With the results of the boxing, water polo and football competitions still to be announced, the U.S. accumulated a total of 554 points, the USSR 531.5 and Hungary, in the third place, 275.

Belgium today won both the individual and team Gold Medals in the gruelling 190-km. bicycle race, highlight of the last full day in the 15th Olympiad. Andre Noyelle and Robert Grondelaers, both of Belgium, finished first and second. Edi Ziegler of Germany placed third. Italy took second place in the team results, Sweden placing third.

Sweden tonight won both the Gold Medals going in the three-day equestrian competition. She won both the team event and her star horseman, Hans von Blixen Finecke, clinched the individual Gold Medal. The Bronze and Silver Medals for the team competition went to Germany and Portugal respectively. France's Major Guy le Frant won the individual Silver Medal and Germany's Will Busing the Bronze Medal.

In the basketball finals, the U.S. quintet beat the Soviet five by 36-25. Uruguay took the Bronze Medal yesterday with a 68-59 victory over the Argentine hoopsters.

Australia's Jack Davis won the men's 200-metre breaststroke in 2:34.4, a new Olympic record. Second was Bowen Stassforth of the U.S., with Germany's Herb Klein third.

Hungary captured the Gold and Silver Medals in the women's 400-metre free style swim as Valeria Gyenge won easily in the new Olympic record time of 5:12.1 to beat her team-mate, Eva Novak. The Bronze Medal went to Hawaiian Evelyn Kawamoto (U.S.).

Ford Konno, U.S., won a tremendous race in the men's 1,500-metre free style, setting a new Olympic record—18:30.0. He finished 25 metres ahead of Japan's Shiro Hashizume. Third was Brazil's Tetsuo Okamoto.

American girls took all three medals in the high diving, in the following order: Patricia McCormick, Paula Myers and Juno Irwin.

Yesterday Hungarian girls set a world record—4:24.4—in the 400-metre relay, with Holland second and the U.S. third.

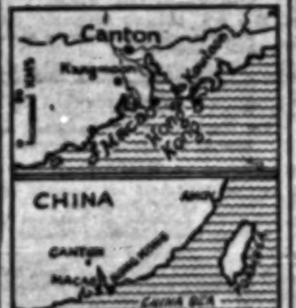
(*Reuter, U.P.*)

Macao's Border With China Sealed

MACAO, Saturday (Reuter). — Portuguese colonial troops today barricaded the road from Macao into China and stopped cars about 300 metres from the frontier, scene of two machinegun and mortar clashes with Chinese troops in a week.

There was no display of force from either side.

The Portuguese Macao Government has so far made no statement about the progress of the border talks with the Chinese but the Hongkong pro-Communist newspaper "New Evening Post" said the Chinese asked the Macao delegation to accept two main demands before China will agree to resume trade and communications.



These demands, the paper said, were that the Portuguese accept responsibility for the clashes and pay compensation, and that Portuguese border guards usually stationed outside the border gateway withdraw inside the gateway.

Macao's supply of fresh food from China has been reduced to a trickle since the clashes and market prices today were 100 per cent higher.

Lebanon President Calls for Clean-up

"Let us eradicate corruption from our government administration before it is too late," Sheikh Bashara el Khouri, President of the Lebanon, told his cabinet on Friday, ANA reports from Beirut. Khouri urged all ministers to deal with public complaints against their offices.

Premier Sami el G-Sohl called for an emergency cabinet meeting in Beirut on Monday to reorganize the administration on a "healthier" basis. "We must act with utmost speed if we want to survive," he stated.

Yemen Ruler Hides After Farouk Ousted

ADEN, Saturday (UP). — Radio permits for all cafes were cancelled today by order of King Iman Ahmed of Yemen. The order followed Friday's radio report announcing the abdication of King Farouk, which disturbed the Yemen monarch to such an extent that he retired to his private chambers leaving his ministers and visitors alone.

Turkey and Italy On Foreign Ministry Move

Turkey and Italy have made representations to Israel on the transfer of the Foreign Ministry from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, the Arab News Agency reports. Similar representations have been [illegible] by the U.S., the United Kingdom, and France.

Mountbatten Visits Lebanese Capital

BEIRUT, Saturday (Reuter).— Admiral Lord Mountbatten, Commander in Chief of the British Mediterranean Fleet, arrived here yesterday aboard his frigate, H.M.S. Surprise, for a short visit to the Lebanon.

He was welcomed by representatives of the Lebanese President and Army Commander.

Adm. Mountbatten will be the host at a cocktail party tomorrow evening and will then leave for Tripoli. On Monday he will go to Damascus, and it is expected here that he may visit Egypt afterwards.

Admiral Mountbatten left Israel from Haifa Port in the Surprise on Friday at midnight.

ENGINE TROUBLE DELAYS ACHESON

DENVER, Saturday (UP). — Secretary of State Dean Acheson and 19 State Department advisers hoped to resume their flight to Honolulu today following two delays caused by engine trouble.

Mr. Acheson and his party are on their way to Hawaii to attend the first Foreign Ministers meeting under the ANZUS mutual defence treaty between the U.S., Australia and New Zealand which was signed in San Francisco last autumn.

CHINA PROTESTS PLANE TRANSFER

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Communist China's Vice Foreign Minister today "protested seriously" against what he called Britain's seizure of aircraft at Hongkong said to belong to Chinese Communist air corporations.

3-Man Regency Council Named To Rule for Fuad II

CAIRO, Saturday. — Prime Minister Ali Maher tonight announced the formation of a Regency Council of three to rule Egypt in the name of the infant King, Ahmed Fuad the Second, until he comes of age in 17 years.

The Council consists of Prince Mohammed Abdel Moneim, son of the late Khedive Abbas Hilmi the Second and second cousin of the infant King; Dr. Bahi e-Din Barakat, former President of the Chamber of Deputies, and ex-Minister of Justice, and Colonel Mohammed Rashad Mahanna, Minister of Communications.

The Wafd Party appeared to be taking with good grace the State Council's decision yesterday against recalling the dissolved Wafd-dominated Chamber of Deputies for a joint session with the Senate in order to name permanent Regents.

They form a temporary body until Parliament meets in November to elect a permanent Regency Council.

Meanwhile, General Mohammed Najib, Army C.-in-C., today described the new regime he has given the country as "neither Fascist nor Communist — it is a combined movement for the social and economic uplift of the people under a constitutional monarchy."

Police Take Over

The Egyptian police today gradually took over responsibility for internal security from the armed forces after Najib's announcement yesterday that he was withdrawing the army units stationed throughout Cairo since the coup.

It was announced today that Ali Maher, who declined nomination to the Regency Council, will remain the head of the Government during what is described as the "present vital transition" from the old to the new regime.

The Premier today received U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery, with whom he talked for about 40 minutes. Mr. Caffery later said, "We reviewed matters of mutual interest to our countries."

Ali Maher today issued a decree prohibiting gambling by Government officials.

Spurred by General Najib's appeals for a "voluntary purge" in political parties, younger elements of the Wafd Party last night approached the veteran statesman, Mustafa Nahas and demanded a "clean-up" in its executive. A delegation of 24 Waffdist youths headed by Ahmed Abdul Fath, editor of the "Al Misri" daily, called on Nahas and sought the dismissal of a number of members of the Wafd "Old Guard."

The Constituent Committee of the General Federation of Labour today demanded the abolition of anti-labour legislation and the introduction of new laws favouring workers. It said the "unionist movement has been suffering intensive interference in its attempts to defend workers' rights and raise their standard living."

General Najib today sent three of his officers to thank the Coptic Orthodox Patriarch, Amba Yusab, for blessing his movement. The Patriarch had prayed for the "unity of all religious sections in Egypt and their cooperation for the public good."

The Chief Rabbi of Cairo, NEARS reported, cabled Najib congratulating him on the success of his coup.

Wafd, Moslem Brotherhood State Policy in Manifestoes

CAIRO, Saturday. — The powerful Wafd Party in a statement outlining its policy in the new regime yesterday advocated no negotiations with Britain until British troops are evacuated from Egypt.

In a manifesto to the nation the Wafd also urged: rejection of the West-sponsored Middle East defence scheme, unity of the Nile Valley by a free plebiscite in the Sudan and the strengthening of the Arab League and the African-Asiatic bloc.

On domestic issues the manifesto demanded amendment of the constitution to limit the powers of the sovereign and to make the government responsible only to the Parliament. It pressed for the abolition of royal prerogatives to dissolve Parliament or dismiss governments enjoying the support of Parliament and said the sovereign should not be allowed to interfere in the administration of State affairs.

In its domestic policy the Wafd had the support of the influential Moslem Brotherhood, which in a manifesto issued later last night said the coup had rendered the constitution null and void. It demanded a new constitution which would limit the King's powers and safeguard the [illegible]

Farouk Falls From Family Tree

El Azhar Ulamas, the highest Moslem religious authorities, reversed a previous verdict in May which declared former King Farouk a member of the "Ashraaf," or those descended from the family of the prophet Mohammed, ANA reports from Beirut.

The same Ulamas in Cairo declared on Friday night that Farouk was not descended from the prophet and so could not use the title of "Sayed."

[illegible] ing the constitution should be brought to trial as the first step in a political clean-up. The manifesto said: "The national problem can be solved in only one way: the British must quit the Sudan and all imperialist forces must quit the Moslem world."

It urged that military conscription should be extended so that "no able-bodied man should be left untrained or unarmed," and pressed for the establishment of arms factories. The Wafd also called for increased and better-trained armed forces and the purchase of modern equipment.

Both the Wafd and the Brotherhood [illegible]

Frenchmen Said Sending Capital Out of Tunisia

TUNIS, Saturday. — French colonialists were reported today to be taking steps to get their money out of this troubled North African Protectorate, where no solution was in sight to the Franco-Tunisian quarrel.

Financial circles said many Frenchmen are buying property abroad and planning to take out of the country the profits from the coming harvest of wheat, barley, oats and dates.

Premier Salaheddine Baccouche today handed the Bey of Tunis the text of the reforms proposed by the French. Earlier in the week France had asked him to approve them, but the Bey protested that he had not even read them.

Ami Ladgham, Tunisian representative, yesterday appealed to the high conscience of the United Nations to prevent a new violation of Tunisian sovereignty and any recourse to force in the settlement of the Franco-Tunisian dispute.

In a telegram to Mr. Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General, he said there was a danger that the French authorities would dispose of the Bey because of his refusal to approve the reforms proposed by the French Government.

The Bey yesterday convoked an unofficial "congress" of some 30 leaders of all walks of life to study the French proposed reform programme. They included labour, religious and political notables.

At the conclusion of the meeting in the summer palace at Carthage, a commission of 12 was set up from among the participants to study the programme and give an opinion on the proposed reforms. (AP, Reuter, UP)

Britain Accused Of Plotting Iran Coup

TEHERAN, Saturday (AP). — Hussein Makki, Premier Mossadegh's right-hand man, accused Britain last night of plotting a coup d'etat here such as unseated Farouk. The plot could not succeed in Persia, he wrote in the semi-official paper, "Bakhtar Emrooz."

"The British are searching for a puppet to carry out a coup" Makki stated.

Meanwhile, "Bakhtar" claimed that the British are deliberately reducing the staff of their Teheran Embassy and have issued instructions to their nationals to leave the country if possible.

"During the last two months a large number of Embassy personnal have left Teheran for different reasons." The British have already made plans to leave the Embassy in the hands of one or two persons and a staff of Persians, if need be, in the future, Makki said.

The Persian Government officially denied today a newspaper report that the Shah and Dr. Mossadegh had agreed on measures curtailing the Monarch's prerogatives. In a special broadcast, Teheran Radio said the story was "unfounded."

The story, published in the semi-official "Bakhtar Emrooz" on July 31, said arrangements had been made whereby no foreign diplomat or Persian political figure could have audiences with the Shah without prior approval by Dr. Mossadegh.

PLOT AGAINST BATISTA SMASHED

HAVANA, Saturday (Reuter) —Cuban police today reported that they had broken a plot against the Government and for the assassination of President Fulgencio Batista.

Police said that the ex-President, Dr. Carlos Prio Bocarras, whom General Batista ousted in coup d'etat last March, had contributed $2m. to the plot which envisaged the assassination of the General, the bombing of strategic points in Cuba with planes to have been seized from the Cuban army and others from Mexico and Guatemala.

RAF PLANE CRASH

KUALA LUMPUR, Saturday (A.P.). — A Royal Airforce Valetta transport crashed in the Malayan jungle today, killing all seven airmen aboard.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A mysterious explosion shook a wide area of Montreal yesterday. Buildings were rocked from the waterfront area to the suburban town of Mount Royal about five miles away.

Hungary last night won the Olympic soccer tournament, beating Yugoslavia 2-0.

The U.S. won five boxing titles [illegible]

Bonn's Arming Seen Retarded

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — Prospects of launching the rearmament of West Germany this year have dwindled seriously as a consequence of the U.S. refusal to grant more than a third of the off-shore (outside U.S.) armament orders asked for France.

More than 75 Radical Deputies in the National Assembly have now joined the ranks of Deputies hostile to the ratification of the European Defence Community Treaty — on which German participation in Western defence depends.

Former Secretary of State for War, Maurice Maurouxy, in an article assumed by parliamentary observers to have been written in close consultation with the Cabinet, said that because of the U.S. decision "ratification of the European Defence Community Treaty by the French Parliament has lost its last chance."

"How can anybody imagine that the French Parliament would agree to let the French army enter the European community... in which it would supply only the cannon-fodder, and this at a moment when French steel plants would abstain from arms manufacture to the advantage of German, British or Italian steel firms," he wrote.

The French Government, meanwhile, is taking active steps to prepare a modification of its rearmament programme and policy. It was officially announced today that a memorandum will shortly be submitted to Lord Ismay, Secretary-General of NATO, drawing attention to the difficulties France is encountering in the fulfilment of the NATO programme laid down at Lisbon last February.

(See Leader — P. 4)

KANSAS CITY, Saturday (AP).— President Truman today ratified the agreement setting up a free West-German Republic.

Commons Endorse Bonn Contracts

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Parliament adjourned for its long summer recess last night after a turbulent session in which the Government defeated a Labour proposal in the Commons to postpone ratification of the contractual arrangements between the Western powers and West Germany. The Government won by 294 votes to 260.

Later the House approved the contracts by 293 votes to 253.

Foreign Under-Secretary Anthony Nutting rejected Labour's contention during the debate that early ratification of the Bonn conventions would prejudice negotiations with the Soviet Union. He said the Labour amendment would lead to the weakening of the West and an increase of Soviet intransigeance.

Earlier Mr. Hugh Dalton, former Labour Cabinet Minister, in winding up the Opposition's request for postponement of the ratification, said new elections should be held in Germany to give her people the opportunity to decide on the rearmament issue. He urged that legal objections to elections this year should be overcome.

Mr. Dalton said nearly all the parties in Western Germany — the Communists excluded — made claims for a return to the 1937 frontiers, and expressed the fear that as the German forces gained strength there might develop the danger of a further conflagration.

Labour's solid opposition of the Conservative Government on this issue dealt another blow to the bipartisan foreign policy existing over the past 12 years. However much the official Labour leaders would like to maintain bipartisanship, the influence of the Bevanites is daily increasing the difficulties of preserving the all-party line in foreign policy.

Labour's unity will face a serious test before Parliament reassembles. When the Party meets in the delegates conference in September the official leadership's policy on rearmament and relations with the U.S. will be challenged by the growing Bevanite army.

Since the last such conference a year ago, Mr. Aneurin Bevan's support of the political side of the movement has been reinforced by considerable trade union backing. Though some of the biggest unions are all likely to reject Bevanism, the left-wingers will nevertheless muster a following much too large for Mr. Clement Attlee's peace of mind.

East, West Germans Sign Barter Accord

BONN, Saturday (Reuter). — East and West Germany have agreed on a trade agreement providing a total exchange of goods worth 400m. marks, it was announced here today.

The agreement is on a second list of goods to be released under the current inter-zonal trade agreement. The first list agreed on last May 5 provided for an exchange of goods worth 67m. marks.

The new list is for deliveries until the end of this year. Negotiations for a new inter-zonal agreement for 1953 are expected to begin in September.

West Germany will supply iron and steel products, textile goods, chemicals, mill machinery, vehicles, electrical goods and leather.

Supplies from East Germany will include textiles and chemicals, as well as lignite.

Deliveries are due to start next week.

The agreement was signed few hours after General Vassily Chuikov, head of the Soviet Control Commission in Germany, had accused the Western allies of interfering with trade between East and West Germany.

TWO CHANGES IN CZECH CABINET

VIENNA, Saturday (UP). — Czech President Klement Gottwald today named two new cabinet ministers in a reshuffle of the government, Prague Radio reported today.

The Deputy Minister of Heavy Engineering, Julius Maurer, was appointed Minister in place of Gustav Kliment who resigned after being appointed Chairman of the Czech Trade Unions.

The second change involves a former railroad worker, Josef Pospisil, who was appointed to the newly created post of Minister of Railways. Antonin Pospisil — no relation to the former — remains Minister of Transportation.

The moves are not believed to have political significance.

Liege Strike Against Military Service

LIEGE, Saturday (Reuter). — A wave of 24-hour strikes is spreading through this highly industrialized region and the nearby coal mining Hainaut Province. A 24-hour general strike to start on August 9 was called today by the Belgian General Federation of Labour in protest against the nation's two year military service.

The strike movement affected some 30,000 workers last night. The stoppage was almost general in Liege's steel and machine-building industries, while suburban tramways were also at a standstill. Some pits were affected by the walkout in Hainaut's mining centres.

Premier Jean van Houttee, broadcasting to the nation last night, openly blamed the Communists for the agitation against the 24-month service. Earlier yesterday he told a union delegation Belgium could not reduce the training period because of her international commitments and NATO requirements.

The strikes marred the opening today of the three-day international Socialists "Labour Festival." Highlight of the festival will be a memorial ceremony at the graves of four workers killed two years ago during the riots which followed exiled King Leopold's short-lived return to the throne.

The business side of the gathering will be devoted to discussion of a memorandum for proposed world-wide Socialist activities in backward or underdeveloped countries.

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Social & Personal

Judge Henry Ellenbogen, Honorary Vice-Chairman of the Jewish National Fund in the U.S., was received on Friday by Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, Knesset Speaker, and Dr. Moshe Smoira, President of the Supreme Court.

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The delegation of American Friends of the Histadrut from the "Workmen's Circle" in the U.S. was received by Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, at the Ministry on Friday morning. Earlier, they called at the Histadrut executive and were received by Mr. M. Namir, Mr. B. Barkatt, Mr. B. Repetur and Mr. Y. Bernstein, of the executive. The delegation on Friday also visited the Hebrew University, where they were welcomed by Mr. H. Viteles, lecturer on the Co-operative Movement, and Dr. M. Spiegel, Associate Director of the Organisation and Information Department.

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M. Dusan Bratic, Yugoslav Minister to Israel, left by El Al for Athens on Friday, on his way to Belgrade on leave.

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Mr. S. Baat, Haifa District Court Registrar, has been appointed Magistrate and took up his duties on Friday.

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Dr. Sam Rosen, the ear, nose and throat surgeon of the Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York, has arrived with his wife for a short visit at the invitation of the Government.

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Mr. M. J. Gerson has been elected President of the Haifa Rotary Club for the year 1952/53. Other officers elected were Immediate Past President J. Aratan, Hon. Secretary A.L. Loewenstein, Hon. Asst. Secretary D.W. Stokes, Hon. Treasurer F. Benda, Directors A.L. Chisick, D. Freeman, M. Landau and A. Rosenfeld.

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Mr. Avraham Polani, member of the Citrus Marketing Board, left by El Al for London on Friday to join the Israel Citrus Marketing Delegation which is to visit Moscow in connection with citrus exports to the Soviet Union.

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Dr. Gad Has has returned from Norway.

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Mr. Shura Cherkassi, the pianist, left by Cyprus Airways on Friday for Turkey, after a series of concerts with the I.P.O.

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Mr. Raphael Arie, the guest singer, arrived by L.A.I. on Friday, for a series of performances with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

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Mr. Reginald Weston, the artist, and Mrs. Weston, have arrived from Paris for a month's visit.

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An exhibition on British Book Design, 1952, will be opened under the auspices of the British Council at the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem at five o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

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An exhibition of Samson Holzman's latest water colours is on view at the painter's studio, Street of the Artists, Safad. Open to visitors Monday, Thursday and Saturday evenings from 6.30 to 10 p.m.

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BIRTH

BAUER — to Carola (nee Levy), wife of Erich Bauer, on July 31, 1952, at Freid's Maternity Hospital, Tel Aviv — a son.

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MARRIAGE
VARDY—MAY

The marriage took place in Jerusalem on August 1, 1952 of Jack Vardy, of London, England to Elaine G. May of Brookline, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Vardy are living at 11 Rehov Hirshenberg, Jerusalem.

Physics Institute Planned for H.U.

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter) —A drive for $1.5 m. to build a new Einstein Institute of Physics at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem has been launched by the American Friends of the Hebrew University, it was announced today by Dr. George B. Wise, President of the Organization.

The projected institute will include experimental and theoretical physics and will house the Israel Physics Laboratory which functions as the country's Bureau of Standards.

In announcing the opening of the drive Dr. Wise declared, "The new institute honouring the world's greatest physicist will give young scientists the facilities they must have in order to continue their work towards providing Israel with new sources of power to run factories and agricultural enterprises."

Chemical Industry in Haifa Is Model for Local Plants

By Our Economic Correspondent

IN Haifa Bay, adjoining the compound of the Oil Refinery on one side and the Kishon River on the other, and at a convenient point between the Haifa-Acre and Haifa-Affuleh railroad, eight km. from the Haifa docks, the buildings of Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd. are going up.

The managers of the plant, generally given to understatement, look at the work accomplished till now as a modest beginning, but according to Israeli yardsticks the progress made so far is remarkable. On the 220-dunam site (there is an option for another 200-dunams) construction goes on while some laboratories and plants are already working. The entire building programme should be finished by 1954 when the company will be able to go into full production. In the meantime the small plants and workshops which are already at work will be used later for maintenance and reserves.

Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd., which will develop into one of the largest, if not the largest, enterprises in the country, has an immense advantage over many other industries in Israel: it relies mainly on local raw materials: on potash from the Dead Sea, on rock phosphates, of which 10,000,000 workable tons exist in the Negev and on the tail gases of the Refinery.

A simple mechanical method to concentrate the local rock phosphate to 66 per cent and thus bring it to the quality of North African phosphate has been developed. For about 11 months production in one plant has been held up because no sulphur was available. Now an allocation has been made and production has been resumed.

Local Market

Further big advantages of the project are a secure internal market in Israel and fairly good prospects for exports. The demand for superphosphate in Israel grew from 15,000 tons yearly in 1947 to 120,000 tons as a result of the expansion of Jewish agriculture in this country. With the equipment which was bought from an Import-Export Bank loan allocation and which is now being installed it will be possible to manufacture 8,000 tons a month if sulphuric acid is available. According to the calculations made by the Company, the plant will be able to compete with European products.

The capital needed for the entire project amounts to IL.11,995,000, if the Israeli pound is taken as equivalent to the dollar. Out of this sum IL.6,960,000 is to be raised in foreign currency.

Of this amount IL.4,130,000 and £6,232,500 have already been provided. These include the Export-Import loan, a French loan and several loans made by the Israel Government.

Although the Israel Government has come to the help of the company with large loans it has not claimed a majority on its Board.

Shareholders in the enterprise are the biggest companies in the country, the P.E.C., Pica, Africa-Palestine Investors and Hamashbir Hamerkazi.

Imperial Chemical Industries which held an option for £437,000 has now decided to use that option. This is an important event as the Bank of England and the body which approves foreign investments in London had to give their approval before the I.C.I. Board could take the step.

Know How

The way the enterprises are gradually being established can serve as a model of how things can and should be done. The Manager, Mr. Alexander Goldberg, is an internationally known authority in his field, having made a name for himself during his war work in England. He has just completed important work in India.

The site of the enterprise was carefully chosen so as to ensure favourable transport and shipping facilities. The contract for the design, supply and erection of the ammonia and sulphuric acid plants was given to the Chemical Construction Company in New York which sent over experts to instal the equipment. Similar arrangements were made for the erection of the nitric acid plant with the Societe Belge de l'Azote et des Produits Chemique. But blueprints and some experts will help only if the local foremen and labour are trained. The manager of the plant reports no difficulties with his labour supply. He takes people on a trial basis for six months.

In the workshops a few trained foremen teach a selected group and then proceed to dilute skilled labour gradually. Language-difficulties are admittedly a headache and so are administrative problems which are only gradually being solved. Significantly enough one of the main bottlenecks is in engineering. A man who has finished his studies at the Technion should then have five years of industrial experience before he can be of real use in the works. But engineers are today at a premium, industry is ready to pay them high salaries although they have no practical experience and Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd. will try to break this bottleneck by drawing in a small number of young but experienced engineers from abroad. This problem has already been pointed out in reports made by Professor Throne in his survey of Israel industry, and it is important to find his arguments repeated by a man of the knowledge, standing and experience of Mr. Goldberg.

It is of far-reaching interest that the attempt of the management to order part of the equipment in this country has been highly successful. At the beginning some of the giant steel vessels needed were ordered from the U.S. They were delivered in part, and had to be riveted on the spot. This was an expensive and laborious business, and thus it was decided to present blue prints of the vessels required to a firm in the Haifa Bay. The results were highly satisfactory. So were the tempo and quality of local labour in construction, and Mr. Goldberg claims that building expenses here are a little lower than in the U.S. if we take the pound at the rate of a dollar and organise properly.

New MAC Building Ready Soon

The Armenian house in no-man's-land near Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem, which Israel and Jordan agreed to use for Mixed Armistice Commission meetings, will be ready for occupancy in about a week. Since the former MAC headquarters building was returned to Israel, the meetings have been held in the open.

Work on the house, which was slightly damaged in the War of Independence, includes installing two separate entrances for the Israel and Jordan delegations. (Itim)

JORDAN TO U.N.: RILEY IS UNFAIR

Jordan has sent another memorandum to Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary General of the U.N., protesting the favouritism shown to Israel by General William E. Riley, U.N. Chief of Staff, "Falastin", the Old City daily, reported yesterday.

The note came following the first session of the newly-established Jordan ministerial committee which is to supervise Armistice affairs. The meeting, which took place on Tuesday night, was attended by the recently-appointed Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission senior delegate, Anwar Bey Nuseibi.

Rubi Pasha Abdul Hadi, the Defence Minister, presided.

The memorandum, among other things, lists the oil drum incident as an example of General Riley's partiality.

SHISHAKLY TO VISIT KUWEIT

Col. Shishakly has accepted an invitation to visit Sheikh Abdullah of Kuweit next month, Damascus Radio reports.

PORT SERVICES UP

Port rates for carrier services will go up 35 per cent beginning today, the Ministry of Communications announced on Friday.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 209 M.; TEL AVIV: 41.8, 33.3 & 423 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.55, 12.00, 1.30, 6.15, 9.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8.00 a.m. 2.15 & 6.30 p.m. Turkish: 10.000 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 8.30 Oriental Music. 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Music of the People (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.05 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: cello concerto in B minor op. 104 (Dvorak). "Gayaneh" Ballet Suite (Khachaturian). 1.45 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety (R). 4.40 Oboe Recital: N. Almansino. 5.00 Tea Time Music (R). 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.00 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Talk. 7.20 Music. 8.00 Wells of Week. 8.20 Bible Reading. 8.45 Symphony Concert: Works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. 10.00 Songs. 10.15 Recital: Sascha Parnes & Moshe Lustig: Sonata for Violin & Piano (Beethoven). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
468, 228, 217, 41.8 M.
English 'News' 1.45 p.m. 1.15 p.m. French 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Music. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Talmud Lesson. 6.00 Story. 6.15 Close Down.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "Personal Column," by W. Eytan. 11.35 Visit to Weizmann Institute.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.4, 3.16, 225 & 224 [illegible]): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Melodies. 7.00 Gadna Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.45 Sports. 8.00 Entrance Ticket. 8.30 News. 8.45 I.A.F. Band. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme 9-9.30 p.m. (13, 19 & 25 M.): Our Listeners Ask.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.92 & 19.34 M.): 7.30 p.m. News. 8.30 p.m. Close down.

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REVIEW OF OPINION IN FRIDAY'S PRESS :

'Conspiracy of Silence on Use Of German Reparations'—Ha'aretz

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) complains about the "prevailing conspiracy of silence regarding the use of German reparations." The reparations talks will end soon, and the Germans should be ready to start delivering goods at an early date. This fact, however, has not been taken into account by the Development Budget or any other programme. The opposition in the Knesset, which has been against these talks, does not wish to raise the issue for political reasons. It is not known if the Government has formulated a plan to exploit these resources, or if it has two plans, or no plan at all. Perhaps it wishes these goods to be absorbed by the "free play of economic forces." Under present conditions and in view of the dominance of the collective sector, this would mean that the Histadrut sponsored and directed companies would receive most of them. It is difficult to understand why the Government, which time and time again has stressed that the country's development is its main task, belittles this chance. Perhaps it does so because it does not know how to use these goods in the most efficient way.

Immigration and Absorption

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam), deals with immigration and absorption. The decline in immigration this year is the result of the Government's economic policy which allows a small number of persons to grow rich by exploiting the majority. This mainly affects the new immigrants. As a pioneering and revolutionary party, Mapam should increase its help to the immigrants in the *ma'barot*. The party's initiative for building permanent homes in the *ma'barot* has been favourably received, but the party should also help in transferring new immigrants to agricultural settlements. An urgent need exists for cultural and political work among them, and Mapam should therefore enlist more of its members for this purpose. It should take a prominent part in the new immigrants' struggle for productive absorption, better living conditions and housing, and for becoming rooted in their work.

Dead Sea Potash

"Davar" (Histadrut), commenting on the establishment of the new Dead Sea potash company, notes that the Government will have the decisive voice in it. The Government opposed nationalizing the company without compensation since this would have damaged our economic development. Even the "revolutionary phrases," however, are not likely to conceal the fact that the Government has the decisive share in the firm. The present aim is 400,000 tons of potash, but the goal is far from being reached. The water problem, which is the main obstacle after building the Beersheba-Kurnub-Sdom road, will somehow be solved.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) publishes a survey of the internal struggle in "Hapoel Hamizrahi" in view of the impending elections to the party's central institutions. It criticizes the "Lamifne" wing whose outlook is too close to the Histadrut. The other two factions, which are closer to the Mizrahi, are viewed with favour.

"Ha'aretz" comments on the internal situation in Mapam. It says that while the Communist faction formerly acted semi-illegally, it now has organized a new network in the Kibbutz Hameuhad and is continuing its work openly. This has strengthened the position of Dr. Moshe Sneh.

The internal situation of Noar Oved is discussed in "Davar" from the Mapai and Mapam points of view.

The "Ha'aretz" cartoonist shows a first aid station on strike. Two persons, bearing a third, are told by a nurse brandishing a strike banner that they should hold on until tomorrow when the strike will be over.

No British Approval For Austrian Changes

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Anthony Nutting, British Foreign Under-Secretary, stated in the Commons on Thursday that the British High Commissioner in Austria has not given his approval to recent legislation there reinstating a number of former Nazi officials, and compensating them for their dismissal.

Mr. Nutting said, "Certain legislative measures designed not only to relieve penalties imposed upon former Nazis, but also to extend the constitution and compensation procedures for the benefit of their victims, have been approved by the Austrian Parliament, but these measures have not yet been submitted to the Allied Council for their approval."

CEMETERY DESECRATED

DUSSELDORF, Saturday. — (INA). — Seven tombstones on Jewish graves in a Niederzissen, Rhineland cemetery were overturned last week. The Rhineland Ministry of the Interior has ordered all police departments to undertake a careful investigation and 200 marks have been offered as a reward for information leading to the apprehension of the culprits.

French Reassured Of British Support

SAIGON, Saturday (Reuter). — British Commissioner General in South East Asia, Malcolm MacDonald, told a press conference here on Thursday that "the struggle which is proceeding in Vietnam is of particular concern to the whole world."

Mr. MacDonald said he had come to Indo-China to express again the British Government's "firm unswerving support" for the governments of the states of Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos.

Judge Eisenberg Meets Tel Aviv, J'lem Bench

Judge Y. Eisenberg was introduced to the Tel Aviv and Jerusalem Bench as administrative head of the courts by the Minister of Justice in the course of the past week. The Judge is scheduled to be in Haifa next week.

As part of the reorganization of the legal branch of the government, Mr. J. Kokia, Deputy State Attorney, will assume the post of Director-General of the Ministry of Justice today. The changes in personnel Mr. Kokia has in mind, will be hampered, it was learned, by the restrictions on the hiring of new employees. Mr. Kokia will cease prosecuting for the time being.

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Anthem Trouble At Helsinki

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Interior Minister Wilfred Kent-Hughes, himself a 1920 Olympic runner, rushed this cable to the Australian team manager, Mr. W. Juren: "Advise Olympic Committee that National Anthem — not a popular tune — must be played for Australian victories." The previous Labour Government's Information Minister, Arthur Calwell, had sought to popularize "Advance Australia Fair."

Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

8-7: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time 2-3 p.m.

9-1, 3-6: Exhibitions: British Book Design 1952, under auspices of the British Council. Marc Aszkielsky, Sculpture. Exhibit of the Month: Dr. Ephraim Beene, Etching by Rembrandt Harmensz van Rijn, 1606-1669, on loan from the Schocken Library, Jerusalem. Bezalel Museum.

9-1: Art Library Bezalel Museum.

9-4: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities. Also: Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions: 28 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.

11-1: 5-7: Exhibition of Children's Art Israel Touring Club, Talbieh.

10-1: 4-7: Memorial Exhibition: Oils, Gouaches and Watercolours by Aharon Avni. Artists House.

11.30-12.30: Film shows at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

★ TEL AVIV ★

9-5: Exhibition of oils, gouaches and drawings by Leo Kahn. Museum.

★ HAIFA ★

8-5.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue.

10-1: 4-8: Exhibition of Sculptures by Hanna Orloff, Municipal Museum.

★ RAMAT GAN ★

8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo Theatre, Rama Hall, Sensational Revue: "Dinner Is Served."

★ HULATA ★

8 p.m. "Awake and Sing," Chamber Theatre.

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5 New Olympic Records

HELSINKI, Saturday. — Five Olympic records were set in Thursday's competition.

Four of the records were set in the swimming events, but the day's individual honours went to Russell Mockridge, Australian cyclist, who won two firsts. He set an Olympic record in the 1,000-metre time trial from a standing start (1 min. 11.1 secs.) and then got on a tandem with Lionel Fox to win the 2,000-metre event.

Swimming records were established by three Americans — Evelyn Kawamoto, 400-metre free style, 5 mins. 14.6 secs.; Gerald Holan, 200-metre breast stroke, 2 mins. 34.4 secs.; and Yoshi Oyakawa, 100-metre backstroke, 1 min. 5.5 secs. Japan's Shiro Hashizume beat the Olympic mark for the 1,500-metre swim.

Joan Harrison, of South Africa won the 100-metre backstroke final in 1 min. 14.3 secs.

Enzo Sacchi, of Italy, who won the 1,000-metre sprint, did the last 200 metres in 12 seconds flat.

In the sabre fencing competition Hungary defeated Italy. France was third and the U.S. fourth.

Refereeing Unfair At Olympics, Soviets Say

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuter) — Soviet sports dispatches from Helsinki published here show a rising wave of Soviet dissatisfaction with what is termed "the machinations and unfairness of certain Olympic referees."

"The Komsomolskaya Pravda," the Communist youth paper; cited instances of alleged partiality to Western athletes shown in judging equestrian events. It said, "Leaders of certain sports delegations in Helsinki are apparently putting pressure on the Olympics' referee bureau."

The Olympic canoeing kayak singles 10,000 m. was won by Thorvald Stromberg, Finland, in 47:22.8, with Gert Fredriksson, Sweden, 47:34.1 second and Michel Scheuer, Germany, third.

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Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

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Haifa	64	21	30	28
Nahariya	64	22	29	28
Tel Aviv Port	73	21	28	27
Lydda Airport	73	20	32	31
Jerusalem	53	17	30	28
Beersheba	38	18	34	33

*A) Humidity at 5 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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THE MALE seal at the Tel Aviv Zoo broke his fast on Thursday night, three days after his partner began feeding, after a "hunger-strike" lasting a month.

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REGISTRATION FOR vocational training courses sponsored by the Ministry of Labour will be held at Bet Brenner in Tel Aviv from 5 to 7 p.m. daily except Wednesdays and Fridays.

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IL.87 WERE stolen from Rosa Angler of Bet Habonot in the Musrara quarter of Jerusalem on Thursday night.

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PETAH TIKVA MAGISTRATE Y. Tzeivish ruled on Friday that the IL.10 service tax imposed by the Petah Tikva Municipality on parents of elementary school children was legal and must be paid.

700 NEW IMMIGRANTS SWELL JULY FIGURES

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Last minute arrivals of two immigrant-ships bring the July figure for immigration up to that of June, a Jewish Agency official reported to *The Post* on Friday. During June, 1776 immigrants arrived, of which 1,513 came from Eastern countries and only 144 from Europe; the South American arrivals, totalling about 70, were an unusually large contingent.

North Africa and Persia again provided the majority of the 1,066 immigrants reaching Israel last month. Jewish Agency spokesmen, however, are anxious that an impression of a sudden drop in immigration should be corrected since an additional 700 new-comers have arrived or are due to arrive during the first few days of August. Two ships left for Israel at the end of July, bringing 400 Persian Jews and 300 from Europe.

Middle Eastern Jews will again account for most of the 2,600-2,800 immigrants scheduled to enter this country during August, thus denying earlier reports of a severe slackening of the immigration rate.

370 IMMIGRANTS COME FROM IRAN

HAIFA, Saturday.— About 370 immigrants from Persia, including a small group from Afghanistan, arrived here yesterday in the s.s. Artzah from the Turkish port of Alexandretta. Most of the newcomers are aged, destitute and from culturally backward areas.

They gathered at the Jewish Agency transit camp and made their way to the Turkish coast by train and truck.

'Shikun' Company Marks Quarter Century

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Saturday.— Housing schemes should be constructed in large units only, as this was more economical than building small groups of houses, Mr. Leo Kadman, director of the "Shikun" company, the Histadrut housing instrument, said here yesterday, at the opening of the company's 25th anniversary celebrations. The meeting, held in the afternoon, took place in Kiriat Shalom, the shikun-built quarter of 2,100 apartments constructed as part of the Histadrut veterans housing scheme.

Mr. Kadman announced that 100,000 persons were now living in 26,700 units built by the "Shikun" company, half of them put up since 1949.

Many of the 150 delegates, representing residential quarters erected by the company all over the country, claimed that their suburbs did not have sufficient roads, and many were without electricity and lacked buildings for cultural facilities including schools, conference rooms, meeting halls, etc. The delegates later toured "Shikun" housing projects in the Tel Aviv area.

The conference will continue tomorrow.

The public celebrations marking the dedication of Kiriat Shalom and scheduled for last night were cancelled because of the lack of electricity in the new quarter, on the main Jerusalem road near the former Abu Kebir.

BONUS. — Most of Britain's steel using industries will get a steel "bonus" amounting to at least five per cent extra allocation in the last quarter of this year, it was learned authoritatively on Friday night.

Housing, Hospitals, Irrigation Projects from Counterpart Funds

More than half of the U.S. counterpart funds released last week is to be used for housing, it was announced yesterday. The total amount released is IL.4,460,200. Housing is divided into two branches: IL.1,320,000 for 1,100 pre-cut wooden houses and IL.1,300,000 for 1,700 semi-permanent wooden houses. Transportation, erection and other installation costs are included in both items.

The allocation for health is IL.950,000. It is divided as follows: IL.450,000 for prefabricated hospitals, (including a general hospital at Poria, rehabilitation hospital in Sarafand, 26-bed ward and dispensary in Jaffa, and 40-bed ward at Nes Ziona); IL.150,000 for laboratories, including an additional storey on the Central Laboratories building in Tel Aviv, same at Medical Service Block of Haifa Hospital, equipping mobile laboratory); IL.100,000 for the erection of a psychiatric treatment centre at Mazra near Acre; IL.182,000 for the erection of prefabricated dispensaries, diagnostic clinics, dwelling house for the medical staff, and convalescent houses of Kupat Holim; and IL.68,000 for a central dispensary at Beersheba.

Social Welfare Facilities will get IL.100,000 divided as follows: enlargement of "Melchora" Institute (Kfar Hasidim) — IL.19,400; enlargement of "Ogen" Institute (Kfar Reschef)—IL.20,000; village for neglected girls (Bet Hana'ara at Yavneh) — IL.30,000; and a dormitory for deaf mutes in Jerusalem — IL.30,600.

Agricultural development has been allocated IL.730,00 to provide funds for the expansion of irrigation in about 114 settlements, Mr. Bruce McDaniel, Technical Cooperation Administration Director in Israel, told the U.S. Information Services here yesterday.

"The building programme is of critical importance. The 2800 new immigrant housing units are needed before the rains start to avoid the suffering and hardship of last winter.

"The additional health facilities and social welfare buildings will assist materially in those fields. The loans for expansion of irrigated areas should be reflected in increased food production."

Materials in Israel

Materials for these projects are in Israel at the present time and no importations are required. Some of these materials had been previously supplied by U.S. Grants-in-Aid. A suggested programme covering the balance of the counterpart funds generated under the 1952 Grant-in-Aid programme is now being prepared by the Government.

Counterpart funds are those Israel pounds "generated" by the Grant-in-Aid monies and supplies sent to Israel by the U.S. Theoretically, if the United States gives Israel $1,000 to purchase lumber for import, the Government will sell that lumber on the local market for Israel pounds. It is the Israel pounds realized from that sale that become "counter-part" funds to be used to pay labour and transportation for the building of houses made from that imported lumber.

$77m. Pledged to Aid Palestine Refugees

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — Over $77m. have been pledged by 17 countries for the relief of Palestine Arab Refugees, It was announced here yesterday.

A negotiating committee which met yesterday gave the following details of the aid pledged: 17 countries pledged $77,475,434 and four countries pledged unspecified sums. Saudi Arabia, besides a contribution in cash, pledged 1,000 tons of petroleum products. Britain's contribution was $15m. for 1952-1953.

Arabs Must Solve Refugee Problem

Arabs must take the solution of the problem of the refugees into their own hands, Ahmed Shukeiry, Assistant Secretary of the Arab League, said in an interview reported by "A-Diffa", Old City daily, on Friday. "We must stop relying on Western proposals", the Acre-born attorney was reported as saying.

Shukeiry, who is on a two-week visit to Jordan, arrived in the Old City on Friday where he was shown the Jordan-Israel armistice lines.

Legion Returns Boy After Two Months

An 18-year old boy, Zvulun Shafik, was returned to Israel by the Arab Legion on Friday, after being held for investigation in Ramallah prison for more than two months. The boy told reporters that he had been captured by the Legion after he had lost his way on a bicycle trip in the Latrun area. His bicycle, identification card, licence, haversack and IL.5 in cash were not returned to him when he was released from the Jordan prison, he said. *(Itim)*

Another $2m. For Protein Rich Foods

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The food import programme for the next 12 months is to be raised from $72m. to $74m., it was learned in Jerusalem on Friday. The additional $2m. is to be used mainly to purchase foods rich in protein including meat. Three or four 100 gram rations are to be distributed each month as compared to two at present.

All August food rations should be distributed before the end of the month, as well as the back log from previous months including such items as coffee. More than 85 per cent of July's rations have already been distributed.

It is understood that the improved flow of food is a result of the Finance Ministry's decision to grant foreign currency priority for the purchase of food. It is believed that this attitude is to become a permanent feature of foreign currency allocations within the framework of the general import programme.

JOSEPH BROADCASTS TONIGHT

Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Commerce and Industry, is to broadcast his monthly talk on the work of his Ministry at 8 o'clock tonight.

'PEACE PETITION' FOR KNESSET

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A "Peace Petition" will be presented to the Knesset on Tuesday, Miss Feiga Ilanit told a meeting called by the Israel Peace League here last night. The procession will start from Rehov Brenner here and proceed to Jerusalem by truck.

Mr. Emil Habibi, Communist MK, speaking in Arabic, said that he had brought back from the Berlin congress on the International Peace Movement, in which he participated, "recordings by American airmen" who admitted having dropped bacteria bombs over Korea. These records, he said, would be played to audiences in Israel.

TWO INJURED BY MINE

BAT YAM, Saturday. — Said Sufor and Muhamed Ghalil, both 12 years old, were severely injured on the seashore here when a mine they had found and with which they were playing exploded on their hands.

The children, who live in the Ajami quarter of Jaffa, were taken to Jaffa General Hospital.

Drug Addict Forges Doctor's Prescription

After admitting she had forged a doctor's prescription for narcotics, a young Rumanian immigrant was freed on bail by Jerusalem Magistrate M. Peretz on Friday.

The woman, who said she had formerly worked on the French newspaper "Figaro," claimed she had become accustomed to taking drugs after an operation several years ago.

A Mahane Yehuda druggist became suspicious when she presented a prescription signed by Dr. A. Liebshon. Close observation revealed that this name had formerly read Dr. A. Liebson. An investigation showed that the woman had been examined by Dr. Liebson some time ago and had probably used that opportunity to acquire prescription blanks. *(Itim)*

RAPIST CAUGHT

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — A 17-year old girl was raped in an orange grove in the Nuzha quarter of Jaffa, while her 22-year old fiance ran away to summon help, on Thursday night.

The couple were returning home from the cinema when they were approached by a man aged about 22 who put his hand in his pocket and threatened to kill the fiance if he did not leave immediately. The threatened man took to his heels, returning 15 minutes later with several persons who managed to arrest the attacker.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN DETAINED AT BORDER

A group of 21 American pilgrims arrived in Israel at Mandelbaum Gate on Friday morning. One of the pilgrims, Mrs. Joyce Goldstein, was detained at the border by the Arab Legion, who, because of her Jewish-sounding name, suspected her of having "infiltrated" into Jordan from Israel. After the intervention of the U.S. Consulate, she was allowed to proceed with the group across the lines.

Infiltrators Came To Beg Here

A 15-year old Arab girl from Bethlehem and her five-year old brother, who were caught infiltrating into Israel a few hours earlier, were returned to the Arab Legion at Mandelbaum Gate on Friday morning. The young infiltrators said they came to seek alms. (Itim).

Burnt Out Lock Shown At Jaffa Fire Probe

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — An attempt had been made to cut the internal lock on one of the doors of the Jewish Agency store with a blowlamp or hot-cutting tool, Mr. R. Marcus, fire assessor, testified yesterday in the public investigation into the causes of the fire near the Jaffa Port, which caused damage estimated at over IL.1m. last month. The investigation is being conducted by Chief Magistrate E. Malchi.

Mr. Marcus displayed the lock, which could only be opened from inside the shed. A part was missing. This, he said, could only have been removed by the application of great heat to it. The heat of the fire itself could not have caused the damage, as then the lock would have melted into a solid lump, whereas only a small part was missing, while the trademark on the strongly-built steel lock was still visible.

The missing part could not have been broken off by firemen forcing open the door, as very great force would have been required to break the lock, he said.

Firemen Will Testify

The firemen who broke open this door have been asked to give evidence at a later hearing.

Mr. M. Gerasi, another fire assessor, said that he thought the blaze could have started from a slow-burning substance, but added that this did not rule out the possibility of arson.

Bomb Suspects Trial Opens Today

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — The hearing of the trial of Amos Keinan and Shaltiel Ben Yair, charged with the bombing of the apartment of Communications Minister D. Z. Pinkas last month, will begin tomorrow, but it is thought probable that it will then be postponed for two or three weeks.

Mr. A. Levitsky appealed to the District Court yesterday for a postponement, as he has just taken over the defence of Keinan from Mr Y. Hoenigman, who is ill. He said that he had had no time to prepare the case and was busy with other cases at present. District Court Judge I. Zundelevitch, who is to hear the action is also occupied with other trials at present, but it was decided to open the case tomorrow, as scheduled, without Keinan's lawyer being present. It is expected that Keinan will then request a postponement.

The "Union of Young Hebrews" is suing Dr. A. Karlebach, editor of "Ma'ariv" for a signed editorial in his paper on the "Kena'anim" following the bomb incident at the house of Communications Minister D. Z. Pinkas. The Union claims that the article will cause them to be disrespected and hated.

Two Drown

HAIFA, Saturday. — Yeruham Ein Dor, 17, of the Kiryat Moshe shikun, in Jerusalem, drowned when he fell into a Mekorot irrigation pool near Gvat settlement, (near Nazareth) on Thursday afternoon. He was staying at the Kfar Hahoresh work camp. His body was taken to the Haifa Government hospital.

Pesach Gurman, 22, of Camp Tira Gimel, drowned this afternoon while bathing in the sea near the village. It is believed that Gurman, who could not swim, was buffetted into deep water by the waves. An Arab youth, who attempted to rescue him, nearly drowned.

The body was recovered by Port Police and taken to Rambam Hospital.

KING HAAKON GROVE

OSLO, Saturday (UP). — On the occasion of his 80th birthday, a grove to be named "King Haakon 7th Grove" will be planted in Israel this month. Money for the project was collected from among the Jewish community in Norway.

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Bat Yam Ma'bara On Strike Against J.A.

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—A two-day sit-in strike, protesting against what is claimed to be Jewish Agency discrimination against the Bat Yam *Ma'bara* and the Agency's alleged wish to transfer part of the ma'bara away from Bat Yam, was held yesterday and today by the 3,000 residents of the ma'bara.

The residents demonstrated through Bat Yam yesterday and today, and yesterday ordered the six Agency employees at the ma'bara to stop work. They also prevented the local cooperative grocery from selling any foodstuffs with the exception of bread. The Tel Aviv Food Controller reportedly intervened, ordering the grocery to continue sales and some foodstuffs were distributed later in the day.

A Jewish Agency spokesman told *The Post* yesterday, that the Agency was not contemplating transferring the ma'bara elsewhere. Out of the 800 families residing in the ma'bara 200 would get permanent housing by next year he said. A further 144 families had been offered housing provided they paid the initial sum of IL.600, and the other families would have to remain in canvas huts until arrangements could be made. In any case, the spokesman said, the ma'bara would have to remain under canvas for the next winter, a fact to which the residents object, claiming that they had been promised that last winter was the last they would spend in tents and canvas huts.

The Agency spokesman added that there would be 24,000 families in canvas huts next winter but that could not be helped at present.

NABLUS STRIKERS PROTEST TAXES

Hundreds of shops and cafes in Nablus observed a 24-hour strike on Friday protesting tax payments, "A-Diffa," Old City daily, reports. The Jordan Finance Ministry has insisted on collecting taxes from artisans and small shopkeepers, despite the town's recent unemployment which has kept business at a virtual standstill for the past few months.

Protest telegrams were sent to Amman and a delegation of shopkeepers called on the Samaria District Commissioner asking him to exempt Nablus inhabitants from the tax.

175 Africans Held For Defiance

PORT ELIZABETH, Saturday (Reuter).—Police yesterday arrested in batches 175 Africans, including 42 women, on charges of contravening the apartheid (segregation) regulations applying to railway travel.

This is the largest total of Africans to be arrested here in one day since the defiance campaign against racial laws began. Altogether 380 Africans have now been arrested in Port Elizabeth.

Body of Eva Peron To Be Embalmed

BUENOS AIRES, Saturday. (Reuter). — The body of Eva Peron will be withdrawn from public view for a year to make possible the embalming process which, according to President Peron, will "permanently preserve her corporeal remains in accordance with her express wishes" it was announced here today.

Thousands of people are still filing past the bier at the Ministry of Labour. Military honours normally reserved for a president who dies while in office will be given her as the coffin is taken from the Ministry office.

The Argentine Minister of Health, Dr. Ramon Carrillo, has ordered a 100-kilo candle to be burned at stated times in memory of the late Eva Peron. The candle is to be carved with her image and will bear the legend "Night came at Noon."

Intended to last 100 years, the candle will burn for one hour on the 26th of each month and will be extinguished at the time of her death.

The National Caterers Union have addressed a cable to the Pope asking that Eva Peron be cannonized.

Geneva Talks On Kashmir Dispute

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter).—India and Pakistan have agreed to send ministers to confer in Geneva in August in an attempt to settle the question of demilitarising the disputed area of Kashmir, it was announced here on Thursday.

It had previously been announced that India's representative would be Gopalaswami Ayangar, who originally brought the case before the Security Council in 1948.

Falangists Demand Return of Gibraltar

MADRID, Saturday (Reuter). —Under a four-column heading "Gibraltar is Spanish," the Falangist youth front organ, "Juventud," on Thursday demanded the return of the British colony of Gibraltar to Spain.

The article dedicated to "Gibraltar day" quoted the statement by General Franco last year that Gibraltar "is not worth a war."

"Gibraltar must not be forgotten by a people which refused to renounce its honour and knows that the pass-word for which its heroes and martyrs died. United Spain, great and free, will not be a reality until the national flag is hoisted over the Rock.

"Each time those who usurp Gibraltar speak of justice and liberty an echo answers with an implacable accusation of hypocrisy. Gibraltar is ours, and we will not cease to cry to the world that Gibraltar is Spanish."

Tomorrow, the anniversary of the capture of Gibraltar by the British in 1704, some hundred Youth Front members will arrive at San Roque, near Gibraltar, from a number of Spanish towns. They will camp outside San Roque and on Monday will hold an open air mass.

U.S. Orders Plant for Large Atomic Naval Vessels

WASHINGTON, Friday. — America's Atomic Energy Commission announced on Thursday that it had ordered the development of an atomic power plant for "large naval vessels, such as aircraft carriers."

The Commission said the contract has been assigned to the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, which is already building an engine ordered for installation in the Navy's projected atomic submarine.

The contract for a "large vessel" power plant — coupled with the fact that the Navy has gone ahead with building even before its projected engine has been tested — immediately prompted speculation that the Commission considered the basic problems solved and an engine assured.

TIN. — The U.S. on Friday lifted certain restrictions on the purchase of tin whereby importers would be allowed to buy tin overseas for use in the country for the first time since March 1951. The tin may be bought at any price.

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Cables in Brief

LOCUSTS. — Planes are attacking locust swarms which have settled over 200 square miles of Sind and Baluchistan Provinces. The Locust Control Committee in Karachi described the situation as "serious" and said it proposed asking for foreign aid to fight the menace.

PROTEST. — Bulgaria claimed in a letter to the U.N. Secretariat on Friday that "provocations" committed by Greek frontier authorities on the Greek-Bulgarian frontier "had assumed a more and more organized character and had become more and more insolent."

REVOLT. — One prisoner was shot and killed and another wounded on Friday night in a pitched battle between police and 700 prisoners rioting over allegedly poor food in Montreal's (Canada) Bordeaux jail.

RESEARCH. — The Organisation for European Economic Cooperation recommended the setting up of a European body for experimental research into photogrammetry — the art of measuring the size of objects with the help of photographs. It was announced in Paris yesterday.

POLK. — A U.S. radio and press group has completed a three-year investigation into the murder of radio correspondent George Polk in Greece. The group, headed by Walter Lippman, said the "finger man" was Staktopoulos, an acknowledged Communist, who was given a life sentence as an accessory, but two men named at the trial as the actual slayers were never found.

'FLYING SAUCERS' PHOTOGRAPHED

WASHINGTON, Saturday (R). —A photograph of four round objects — "flying saucers" — was released today by the Coast Guard. The objects appear to have identical shafts of light extending across their centre and protruding at the forward and near ends. They flew in "V" formation.

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THE SOUTH BRITISH INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Statement of Accounts for the year ended August 31, 1951
in New Zealand Currency.

BALANCE SHEET

1950 £		1951 £	1951 £
	1. SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS—		
	Authorised Capital: 4,000,000 Shares of 10/- each —£2,000,000		
	Subscribed Capital: 2,063,280 Shares of 10/- each —£1,031,640		
1,031,640	Capital Paid Up	1,031,640	
1,031,640	Reserved Fund	1,031,640	
1,250,943	Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Reserve.. ..	1,253,409	
1,500,000	Contingencies Reserve.. ..	2,200,000	
620,914	Balance brought down from Profit and Loss Appropriation Account	321,676	
5,435,137	Total of Shareholders' Funds		5,838,365
	2. CURRENT LIABILITIES—		
1,365,636	Sundry Creditors, and Bills Payable, including Provision for Taxation	1,876,592	
20,481	Amounts Owing to Subsidiary Companies..	18,791	
899,364	Provision for Losses Outstanding..	1,213,586	
2,350,000	Reserve for Unexpected Risks	2,800,000	
154,746	Provision for Final Dividend	154,746	
4,790,227	Total of Current Liabilities		6,063,715
£10,225,364			£11,902,080

1950 £		1951 £	1951 £
	1. INVESTMENTS—		
687,150	Loans on Mortgage	673,044	
284,339	Shares in Subsidiary Companies	261,290	
893,053	Other Shares, Stocks and Debentures	994,413	
840,915	Municipal and Harbour Board Loans	890,790	
743,093	Government Guaranteed Loans	690,838	
3,686,435	Government Securities ..	4,382,836	
7,134,987	Total of Investments ..		7,902,210
	2. FIXED ASSETS—		
532,486	Company's Premises at Cost, less Depreciation	544,113	
532,486	Total of Fixed Assets ..		544,113
	3. CURRENT ASSETS—		
1,525,915	Cash in Banks, Deposits, Short-dated Investments and Bills of Exchange in Transit	2,137,171	
843,093	Balances at Branches and Agencies..	1,105,987	
188,458	Sundry Debtors and Bills Receivable	207,245	
426	Amounts Owing by Subsidiary Companies	4,965	
2,557,892	Total of Current Assets ..		3,455,758
£10,225,364			£11,902,080

On behalf of the Board
KENNETH S. MYERS, S. AUSTIN CARR, Directors.

The profits of subsidiary companies have been dealt with in the accounts of this Company to the extent of dividends only.
The fees received by the Directors from this Company and its subsidiary companies were £7,000.

KENNETH S. MYERS, S. AUSTIN CARR, Directors.

We have to report to the members that we have audited the accounts of the South British Insurance Company Limited for the year ended August 31, 1951, and that we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required, and that in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs as at that date according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company.

Auckland, October 2, 1951.

MORRIS, DUNCAN & GYLLIES
WALLACE BRUCE, DUTHIE & VOYCE } Auditors.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

1950 £		1951 £	1950 £		1951 £
665,670	Balance Carried to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account	684,463	426,221	Balance brought down from Underwriting Account	481,956
			239,449	Interest, Dividends and Rents received and accrued less taxation	202,507
£665,670		£684,463	£665,670		£684,463

PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

1950 £		1951 £	1950 £		1951 £
128,955	Interim Dividend paid April, 1951 ..	128,955	538,945	Balance brought down from August, 1950	620,914
300,000	Amount transferred to Contingencies Reserve	700,000	665,670	Balance brought down from Profit and Loss Account..	684,463
154,746	Proposed Final Dividend	154,746			
620,914	Balance carried to Balance Sheet ..	321,676			
£1,204,615		£1,305,377	£1,204,615		£1,305,377

THE SOUTH BRITISH INSURANCE COMPANY LTD.
ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
for the year ended June 30, 1951

Debit	IL.	Credit	IL.
TO: General Administration	31,407	By: Profit transferred from Fire, Accident, Marine and other Insurance Branch Business	60,410
Balance of Profit transferred to Head Office Account	32,477	Interest from Investments	3,474
	IL.63,884		IL.63,884

We have examined the above Profit and Loss Statement with the books and documents of the Israel Offices of the Company and report that the said statement has been correctly compiled from such books and documents and the Returns sent to Head Office.

HAYIM, DAVID, SCHNEIDER & CO.
Public Accountants, Auditors.

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FRANCE, GERMANY AND THE U.S.

THE U.S. cut in France's full requests for "off shore" purchase contracts have touched off what may be one of the most serious crises Franco-American relationships have yet undergone. The decision by another group of Radical deputies to oppose ratification of the European Defence Community (EDC) as an immediate result of the U.S. refusal to give the contracts, is the latest sign of deep misgivings held in almost every section of French society at the U.S. determination to rush through German rearmament.

The French position is based first and foremost on fear of a re-armed Germany. Though the U.S. administration has always endeavoured to convince its legislators and public that Europeans are apprehensive of Soviet intentions to the virtual exclusion of all other considerations, the French, who have suffered much from Germany, have shown that they do not share American faith in the purity of Germany's intentions. It was only after the offer of special safeguards against the resurgence of German militarism that the French Cabinet finally consented this May to sign the Peace Contract and EDC treaties, setting up, among other things, a European Army.

The EDC Treaty now has to be ratified by the Parliaments of the participants. In Britain it has been ratified, against Labour opposition, in Germany and France it has yet to be passed; in both countries opposition will be strong, led by the Socialists, and supported by many other groups. In France opposition already includes the Communists, and the Guallists. The latter regard it as surrendering France's vital interests to its potential enemy, Germany. Very few French politicial leaders would deny that Gen. de Gaulle's strictures contained an element of truth; they felt, however, that EDC was the least of many evils, and that given guarantees and U.S. goodwill, it would be made to work.

They remained extremely apprehensive, however, at any manifestations of favouritism towards Germany, in view of the fact that German economic strength is growing much faster than France's, while German military obligations under the new dispensations remain less than France's. During 1951 the rate of growth of Germany's industrial production was double that of France. No doubt there were many reasons for this, but the one most resented in France is the fact that France's military expenditure has been slowing down its economic development. Even by 1953, her military obligations to EDC expressed as per capita contributions will be nearly twice Germany's. In order to help France balance its defence programme with its economic needs, the U.S. had agreed to spend some $625m. in "off shore" purchases over the next three years, fully employing French factories which would otherwise suffer, and guaranteeing French industry access to the U.S. market.

Congress, however, cut the financial allocations for "off-shore" purchases, whereupon the Executive had to reduce France's allocations, which were by far the largest. French political leaders, (and their official advisers) see this as a threat to France's economic growth vis a vis Germany's. This, they fear, would again lead to Germany's economic preponderance, which would eventually express itself, no one doubts, in German political and military domination of Europe for which the will is never lacking in Germany. It seems likely that unless the U.S. Congress can find the necessary funds, the whole scheme for European Unity will falter on French resistance (since without French participation Germany's other European victims will be almost certain to back out). It still appears that though in the U.S. geopolitical considerations may make Germany's past crimes seem unimportant, European memories are longer.

THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

OPTIMISTIC BUDGETING

By GERDA LUFT

THE two hour spech delivered on Tuesday by the Minister of Finance when he introd the IL.115m. development budget gave the House its first opportunity to judge the former Minister of Agriculture in his new office. It could be clearly felt that the heart of Mr. Eshkol remains true to his lifelong devotion, agricultural settlement.

His excitement rose when talking about plans for the expansion of irrigation, the planting of new settlements and the consolidation of old ones. He spoke in his accustomed timbre of enthusiasm when he turned to the minerals of the Negev. When he dealt with industry and even more when he touched the slippery ground of economic theory, however, he appeared less happy and less sure of himself. This might explain the lack of a comprehensive economic plan which should be the basis of the development budget. Mr. Eshkol was never a man of theories and he naturally turns impatiently to development tasks relying on his advisers to fit them into the general scheme of economics.

Hazy Estimates

The Knesset, as a legislative body, is in an unhappy position when faced with the estimates for the development budget. Part of the income which has to pay for the proposed projects, is to come from a property tax. This tax has not even been tabled as yet. It is at least possible that the House will throw out a bill of this sort, although in practice this is not to be expected, because in case the General Zionists should oppose it outright, Mapai, if determined to have it passed, could swing round to Mapam and thus get the necessary majority for the approval of the bill. But something is obviously very wrong with Parliamentary procedure if a Minister can introduce estimates which are based on a tax or a levy which has not even been tabled. Mr. Eshkol showed lack of understanding for the duties and rights of the Knesset when he tried to finance urgent works by advance payments. He shows now that he wants the approval of a budget which is doubtful on the income side and somewhat hazy as to expenditure.

The Knesset will be in a quandry. Some sort of development budget must be adopted before the end of August, when the House goes into recess. The interim budget of IL.18m. was passed on the assumption that the actual sums for development would be allocated before the summer vacation. The House will therefore be pressed to work on the estimates introduced by the Minister of Finance and to finish, at the same time, the income tax proposals which have been in committee for many months now. This, together with a number of other bills which have to be dealt with, presents a fairly heavy schedule. It would be a good thing to delay the tabling of the bill on a property tax until after the recess, even at the cost of cutting down the development budget by the sum expected from these returns. It will simply not do for the Knesset to take the passing of a bill for granted when assessing budget income.

Quite Optimistic

There was a remarkable difference between the tone of Mr. Eshkol's speech and the introductions to which the House became accustomed during Mr. Kaplan's reign. The tenor of the performance was thoroughly optimistic, while Mr. Kaplan never lost an opportunity to warn his listeners that we had to brace ourselves for coming ordeals. The Minister of Agriculture afterwards explained that the Government was well aware of the difficult position but did not consider it necessary to stress the point again and again. It can be assumed that not only the sanguine temperament of the new Minister of Finance but also the knowledge that for a certain time prospects are a little less black (as a result of the new grant-in-aid and the reparations from Germany) are responsible for the optimistic tone of his speech. These temporary improvements are, however, the result not of economic recovery in this country but of increased outside help.

It was hoped that the discussion on the development budget would provide the opportunity for a wide range debate on economic policy. It would be the right moment for a review of the influence of the New Economic Policy up to now and of the Government's plans for the near future. Mr. Eshkol, however, contented himself with some general statements on the line the Government proposes to take and a detailed description of expansion plans, especially in settlement and irrigation. That this in not enough was demonstrated by the surprise action of Mr. Govrin of Mapai who introduced a proposal to abolish controls. This is not as revolutionary as at sounds because the issue has been pressed for a considerable time by the opposition and has been the subject of prolonged discussion within Mapai. That it was thrown into the debate at this moment shows that certain circles of Mapai are convinced that the major operation of February 13 will bear fruit only if other at least equally important measures are to follow.

Basic Needs

The debate is to be continued next week. There is still an opportunity to enlarge its limits and review development projects against the wider background of the general economic position. It is very strange indeed that neither the Minister of Finance nor the first speakers in the debate should have brought the development budget into relation with the negotiations on German reparations. Mr. Bernstein, it is true, voiced his opinion that development should be confined to basic problems, and he mentioned explicitly water, electricity and transport, thus giving the three goals of the Throne Report which planned the use of imports from Germany. But this hint was the only one and it was not explicit enough to open a debate on basic issues.

TAIL PIECE: The Finance Committee held a meeting at the very time the discussion on development was being held on the floor. Members of the Committee are supposed to shape the estimates according to the views voiced during the general debate. The Finance Committee admittedly is kept even busier than the other committees of the House. Nevertheless its members simply must find time to listen to a general debate on a subject with which they will have to deal. Otherwise debates on the floor will come to resemble performances for show-purposes only.

NATURE NOTES

Night Birds

THE little owls are more frequent than the barn owls, and better known because they appear before sunset, often sitting on telephone masts, piping musically—the barn owl shrieks like a lost soul — and bowing solemnly to their own music. They also are very useful as devourers of vermin and they never eat pigeons. The young [illegible] sometimes be seen sitting in a row on a horizontal branch of the tree where they have come into the world in a deep hollow. They are snow-white and as charming and cuddly as kittens.

When the light is on in my porch the insects swarm around it, and then I can watch the geckoes hunting with a certain satisfaction. They prowl along slowly and then snap with a flash — midges, small moths, everything. Sometimes they will swallow whole a black moth not much smaller than themselves, and as they are almost transparent, one can see the victim travelling down the gecko's inside. These little round-headed lizards have adhesive disks on their toes so that they can run around on ceilings and smooth walls.

Spectacular Moths

Of the nocturnal insects the most spectacular are the hawk moths and the large green praying mantis with yellow polka dots. The hawk moths, as the name implies, are characterized by hovering with rapidly beating wings. The most beautiful of those that come to my porch is the oleander moth, strawberry-pink and olive-green.

P.A.

ECONOMISTS WARN OF SLUMP, STEEL SHORTAGE

U.S. Tries for Guns and Butter

By ALASTAIR BUCHAN

WASHINGTON —

FOR the last five years President Truman has submitted twice a year a document known as the President's Economic Report, which is a semi-annual stocktaking of the progress of the American economy.

It is not an academic document (although the detailed report of the President's Council of Economic Advisers which accompanies it, is accorded great respect by professional economists.) In it the President frankly defends his economic policy. But this year the report's publication on the day before the Democrats met in convention at Chicago to nominate a Presidential candidate gives it something of the significance of a Democratic campaign leaflet, for it answers indirectly many of the charges made against the Democrats by Republican spokesmen at their convention, and will undoubtedly provide many of the answers for Democratic candidates up and down the country during the coming months.

Republican Case

The Republican case charges that the United States is heading for economic ruin, that rearmament is too expensive, that taxation is ruinously high, that inflation is rampant and has wiped out the workers' savings, that business is throttled by the Government, that the Government is hopelessly in debt and, to use an old American phrase, that the country is "going to hell in a hack."

The President's report makes it very hard to see how these charges can be made effective even before relatively unsophisticated audiences. As the President says in his foreword "The facts reveal beyond question that the security programmes now being undertaken are not even threatening — much less depleting or impairing — the strength of our domestic economy. Despite the burden of these programmes — and they are a real burden — our business system has been doing better and our people have been living better than before."

Good Business

The facts bear him out. Annual output has risen from $300 to $340 billion a year in the past two years, while defence output has risen from $19 to $50 billion annually. In other words, total output has expanded by far more than can be accounted for by the rearmament programme alone.

Personal incomes, of all kinds except farm incomes, have continued to rise through the first half of this year. So also has personal consumption; in the months of April, May and June the American consumer spent at the annual rate of $215 billion which is $6 billion more than he spent even during the wave of scare-buying that followed the start of the Korean war at the beginning of 1951.

The magazine "Business Week" reports that retailers across the country assert that they have never done such good business as at present. Because income has risen faster than expenditure, the rate of saving has also increased to about seven per cent of income after taxes, which is considerably higher than in the years before Korea.

Unemployment has been running for the first half of this year at about 2.9 per cent of the civilian labour force, which is lower than the percentage of a year ago.

It is difficult to believe that the remarkable success with which the American economy has adjusted itself to the production of both guns and butter will not have its effect upon the voters in November. Certainly even the most cautious political pundit would admit that the fact that the country is experiencing such relative economic tranquillity and prosperity — even the bad patches of local unemployment have disappeared — just before the election will do no harm to the Democratic Party and will make it very hard for the Republicans to find a real basis for opposition on domestic issues.

Note of Caution

However, the President's economic advisers, whose preoccupation is with the future course of the economy, and not with Presidential politics, sound a note of caution. They point out that there are two large flies in the ointment. One is the steel strike which started at the end of May, and ended only last week. It cost the economy nearly 19 million tons of ingot steel, and the gains from increased steelmaking capacity, from which the ability to produce both guns and butter has been largely derived, have been lost for this year.

There will be a further loss of steel production next winter and spring when the present restriction on iron ore production in the Great Lakes begins to make itself felt.

Restrictions of steel may accentuate the second danger which they foresee — another serious bout of inflation. In their opinion, there is nothing to point to the likelihood of a recession or slump next year; the danger is rather the other way, that some new international alarm or crisis will touch off a wave of "scare buying" which, starting from a high level of prices and wages, could do immense harm both to the American economy and to the economies of America's Allies.

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Readers' Letters

PRELIMINARY CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — With reference to the report of proposals by the Minister of Justice to amend the provision of the Code of Criminal Procedure in order to expedite trials, I would like to suggest one change in the present preliminary procedure.

Today it is the practice of the police to arrest any person charged with any offence, however slight, and to release him on bail pending trial. This procedure, except in more serious cases, appears to be entirely unnecessary and to involve considerable waste of time, trouble and expense as well as no little inconvenience to the citizen. Moreover, there is no provision in the law which requires it.

In many cases it would sufficient if the police officer handling the matter were to take a note at the scene of the accident or transaction of all material facts giving rise to suspicion of the commission of an offence and to notify the person or persons concerned that in due course they may be summoned for trial. Why in innumerable petty cases should the police authorities punish people in advance by arresting them, taking them to police stations and in many cases keeping them overnight until bail can be arranged?

Any driver who is involved in an accident or any person who is charged with a petty currency or black market offence is now compelled to go to a police station to make a statement and to give bail, and he is fortunate if in addition he is not fingerprinted.

Yet in most of these cases all the material evidence is already in the hands of the police, particularly when it is obtained through exploitation of the postal censorship, and apart from the possibility of intimidating the accused into making a signed confession, there can be very little, if any, purpose in the whole procedure.

The abolition of this procedure would save considerable time and expense to the authorities, apart from saving citizens and their families and business associates unnecessary inconvenience and humiliation.

Yours etc.,
MAX SELIGMAN
Tel Aviv, July 27.

ACRE'S RECORD

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — It is difficult to understand who is expected to benefit from the excitement stirred up recently in some sections of the press against the present Municipal Administration in Acre.

For the past three and a half months the writer has had charge of the department which figured most prominently in the accusations made in the press. Whether there is a word of truth in any of the accusations I am not in a position to say, but I can testify that much of what has been written are lies and distortions.

It is amazing that no credit is given in the press to the magnificent accomplishments of the present Municipal Management in Acre. It would not be human if mistakes had not been made in such a dynamic period.

It should be remembered that the Arabs removed the plans and records of the former Municipality. Everything had to be built up again from nothing. Even the water supply was destroyed. When we look at what has been accomplished — a new water supply system with many miles of new pipes and new reservoirs, an embryo sewage system, many new roads, new public buildings, Municipal built factory buildings, a new town plan even prepared on scale models, one marvels at the achievements.

Finally 16,000 new immigrants out of a population of 20,000 were absorbed into the life of the town.

Can any other municipal administration in Israel point to a finer record? All this has been accomplished by a Mayor, management and staff completely inexperienced in municipal work, law and procedure.

Yours etc.,
J.L.A. WATSON
Acre, July 23.

UNDIVIDED

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Regarding the report in your issue of July 25, that a division has developed in the ranks of the Jerusalem Municipal Workers' Committee over the persistent demand of the administration for a 20 per cent cut in city personnel, we would like to inform you that no such division exists.

Your contention that Mapam Committee representatives have disagreed with Mapai followers over that question is entirely unfounded.

All decisions regarding action to be taken by the Committee with regard to the proposed cut in personnel were taken unanimously and without dissension.

Yours etc.,
M. NEUMAN
Jerusalem Municipal Workers' Committee
July 27.

PEN FRIENDS

BRENDA SALISBURY, 140 King St., Dukinfield, Cheshire, England, who is 17 years old, would like to correspond with a boy or girl of her own age in Israel. She works in a cotton mill and her hobbies include dancing and going to the cinema.

MOSCHE CONSTANTINIS of 17 Palamidiou St., Athens 1, Greece, is interested in exchanging stamps and corresponding (in French) with someone in Israel.

MUSICAL DIARY

NAOMI Aleskowsky's Dance Studio presented some 50 pupils in a matinee at the Ohel Theatre last week. The younger children appeared in Mozart's gracefully naive "Les Petits Riens" while the older ones danced to music by Tschaikowsky, Boscovitch and others. Fortunately, it seems not to be the goal of Miss Aleskowsky to produce exclusively ambitious ballerinas; we saw, instead, excellent results of a good basic education with the accents laid on the enjoyment of movement and expression.

Piano Manual

A well-designed new piano manual of exercises for beginners has been published by an American musician, Mordecai Levitas, who came to this country two years ago. Mr. Levitas is an oboist who played here with various ensembles and is now working as a choir-instructor.

The new manual is calculated to accompany young children during the first year of their piano studies. All explanations and musical terms are printed in Hebrew and the educational principle — in contrast to most of the present methods in the field of piano teaching — is that of slow but sound progress. Most of the musical terms (intervals, trills, etc.) are explained and virtually made visible by charming illustrations by Yaacov Cohen.

MANDO

Origin of Instruments

In a recent report on the courses for music teachers held at Zichron Ya'acov it was stated, on the basis of official information, that the two instruments of Mr. R. Jacobi were of American make. Mr. Jacobi, who participated in one of the courses as lecturer and artist, now informs us that the instruments in question were made by the firm of Neupert, Nuremberg.

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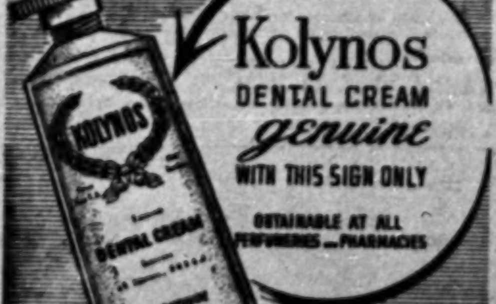

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